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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

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Examiner

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- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 27 April 2004.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-10 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-10 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

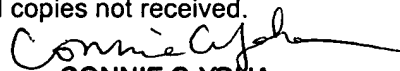
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- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 27 April 2004 is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☒ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.


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Attachment(s)

- 1) ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 1-10 are presented for examination.

Drawings

2. The drawings are objected to under 37 CFR 1.83(a). The drawings must show every feature of the invention specified in the claims. Therefore, "an extractor for extracting a plurality of proper positions from said signals, wherein each low level of each said signal corresponds to a proper position; and an amender for amending the frequency of the clock such that each said proper position corresponds to a rising edge of said clock" cited in claim 6 must be shown or the feature(s) canceled from the claim(s). No new matter should be entered.

Claim Objections

3. Claim 7-10 are objected to because, since these claims are depended on the method claim 1, they should be stated as "A method of claim 1...". Correction is required.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 112

1. 4. The following is a quotation of the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. 112:

The specification shall contain a written description of the invention, and of the manner and process of making and using it, in such full, clear, concise, and exact terms as to enable any person skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and use the same and shall set forth the best mode contemplated by the inventor of carrying out his invention.

Claim 1-10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, as containing subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had

possession of the claimed invention.

In claim 1 the limitation of a method of “extracting a plurality of proper positions from said signals, wherein each low level of each said signal corresponds to a proper position; and amending the frequency of said clock such that each said proper position corresponds to a rising edge of said clock” is not describe in the specification.

In claim 2 and 7, the limitation of a method of “wherein each said proper position is located at the center of corresponding said low level” is not described in the specification.

In claim 3 and 8, the limitation of a method of “wherein each said proper position is located at a safety region around the center of corresponding said low level” is not described in the specification.

In claim 4 and 9, the limitation of a method of “wherein each said proper position is located at a safety region inside corresponding said low level” is not described in the specification.

In claim 5 and 10, the limitation of a method of “wherein the step of amending the frequency of said clock is performed by the following steps chosen from the group consisting of the following: multiply frequency, divide frequency, mix said clock with at least one higher frequency clock, using doubled edges of the clock, using and the combination thereof” is not describe in the specification.

Similarly, claim 6 limitation of “a system for providing a variable frequency clock for a SDRAM having an extractor for extracting a plurality of proper positions from said signals, wherein each low level of each said signal corresponds to a proper position; and an amender for amending the frequency of said clock such that each said proper position

corresponds to a rising edge of said clock” is not describe in the specification or the drawings.

Conclusion

5. When responding to the office action, Applicants’ are advised to provide the examiner with the line numbers and page numbers in the application and/or references cited to assist the examiner to locate the appropriate paragraphs.

6. A shortened statutory period for response to this action is set to expire 3 (three) months and 0 (zero) day from the date of this letter. Failure to respond within the period for response will cause the application to become abandoned (see MPEP 710.02 (b)).

7. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to whose telephone number is (571) 272-1799. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon. - Fri. from 8:00 A.M. to 5:30 PM. The examiner's supervisor, David Nelms, can be reached at (571) 272-1787. The fax phone number for this Group is (703) 872-9306. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Group receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 305-0956.

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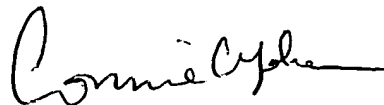
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